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SUBJECT: GDR PROTEST OF FRG REPRESENTATION OF BERLIN IN
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1. DEPARTMENT CONCURS THAT RESPONSE SHOULD BE MADE TO
GDR NOTE. REPLY SHOULD CHALLENGE GDR EFFORT TO INTERPRET
QUADRIpartite AGREEMENT, FOR WHICH IT NOT COMPETENT, AND
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COUNTER GDR EFFORT TO BUTTRESS IN UN THESIS THAT WEST

BERLIN IS INDEPENDENT POLITICAL ENTITY.

2. DEPARTMENT HAS NO OBJECTION TO FRG SUBMITTING DRAFT
REPLY IN BONN GROUP FOR ALLIED CONSIDERATION, BUT BELIEVES
PRIMARY RESPONSE TO GDR NOTE SHOULD NOT COME FROM FRG,
BUT FROM THREE WESTERN POWERS WHO SIGNED BERLIN AGREEMENT
AND ARE, WITH SOVIETS, ONLY POWERS WHO CAN SPEAK AUTHORI-
TATIVELY ON CITY'S STATUS.

3. WE BELIEVE CONSIDERATION SHOULD BE GIVEN IN BONN GROUP
TO DRAFTING TRIPARTITE REPLY WHICH INCLUDES FOLLOWING
CONCEPTS:

--GDR NOTE IS INCORRECT STATEMENT OF LEGAL
SITUATION;
--REPRESENTATION OF THE WSB BY THE FRG IN INTERNA-

TIONAL FORA WAS PROPERLY AUTHORIZED BY THE THREE
WESTERN POWERS WHO ARE SOLELY COMPETENT IN SUCH
MATTERS;

--THE LIMITATIONS IMPOSED ON THE ENTIRE CITY BY THE
SPECIAL STATUS OF GREATER BERLIN HAVE BEEN SCRUPULOUS-
LY RESPECTED IN THE CASE OF THE WESTERN SECTORS;

--USSR IN QA FOR ITS PART AGREED NOT TO OBJECT TO
FRG REPRESENTATION OF INTERESTS OF WSB IN INTERNATION-
AL ORGANIZATIONS AND CONFERENCES.

--GDR NOT COMPETENT TO INTERPRET QUADRIpartite
AGREEMENT ON BERLIN AND NOT ENTITLED TO INTERVENE
IN MATTERS CONCERNING THE WESTERN SECTORS OF BERLIN.
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